# **SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH**

August 31, 2025



Deuteronomy 8:7 For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills.

## **Still Upside Down**

Call to Worship

**Lighting of Peace Lamp Opening songs** 

**First Reading** 

Jeremiah 2:4-13

**Engaging Community** 

**Announcements & Sharing of Joys and Concerns** 

The Call of the Gospel

Gospel Reading Luke 14:1, 7-14

Song

**Offertory Prayer** 

\*\*Children will collect coins for My Coins Count\*\*

**Gospel Time** 

Digging Deeper

**Third Reading** James 2:1-9

Message

Song of response

Going Out into the World

Benediction

**Sending Song** 

Worship Planners: Bill Mosholder & Angie Piwonka

Worship Leader: Angie Piwonka
Accompanist: Dixie Otto
Message: Wes Bergen

Song Leader: Isaac Tice Sound Room: Ryan Critchfield Video: Reuben Tice Live Stream: Isaac Tice

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## **Calendar of Events**

**September 2** – Elders' Meeting 6:30 p.m.

**September 3 -** Daughters of Dorcas 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**September 3** – Class on the New Testament – 7:00 p.m. (every Wednesday)

September 7 – Back to Sunday School

September 7 – Baby Picture and Sign-up for Church Retreat is due

**September 13** – Celebration of Edgar & Alice Rembold's 80<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary here at the church from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**September 16** – Church Council – 6:30 p.m. \*\*Both current and incoming members should be in attendance. Budget preparation will be done at this meeting.

September 19-20-21 - Church Retreat

October 3 & 4 – Folk Festival

October 11 – S'mores Night

Sunday School for the Jr. Department will begin next **Sunday**, **September 7.** We have classes for all ages: Early Childhood, Elementary, and Youth. We are excited for a great year ahead of us!

**Church Information: Phone: (814) 662-4201** 

**Pastor:** Wes Bergen (681) 209-2029

Office hours: Mornings of Monday, Wednesday and Thursday

Email: wes@springsmc.org

**Secretary**: Sherry Abel (814) 233-0510

Office hours: Tuesday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Email: office@springsmc.org

#### **Elders:**

Don Green (Chair) (814) 521-5709 Sherry Abel (814) 233-0510 Rosie Cupler (301) 697-1772 Ken Detrick (814) 662-2692 Ed Hoover (814) 521-7128

#### August 24, 2025, Attendance and Offering

General Fund: \$3,130.00 Attendance: 95



#### **Birthdays:**

August 31 – Michelle Maust

September 2 – Diana McKenzie

3 – Julian Nwoko

4 – Jane Benson, Madison Mast, Carol Tice

5 - Beverly Critchfield, Carolyn Tice

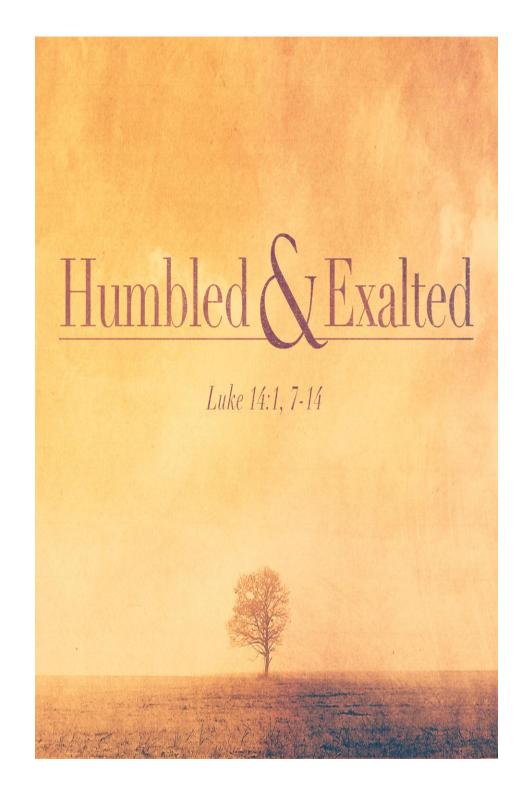
**Anniversary:** 

September 1 – John & Missy George

# Springs Mennonite Church is Handicap Accessible

A restroom and elevator are available on the main floor. There is also a restroom located downstairs in the basement. There are also large print songbooks and hearing devices; please ask an usher for assistance with these items.

**AED** (Automated External Defibrillator) is located at the back of the church near the elevator.



Starting September 3, Wes will be offering a Wednesday evening class on the New Testament, based on his years of university teaching. There will be no homework or exams. You are welcome to use Mark Allen Powell's *Introducing the New Testament* for preparation. Classes will start at 7 p.m. Come when you can.

# **Part-Time Custodian Needed Join Our Team and Serve Our Congregation**

We are seeking a part-time custodian to work alongside Shelly Yoder, as Deb Brenneman will be retiring effective January 1, 2026. This position requires approximately 8 to 10 hours per week. We would love to have someone from our congregation fill this role if possible.

If you are interested, or if you know someone who might be a good fit, please contact Bob Green, Reuben Tice, or Sherry Abel for more information or to express your interest.

A formal letter of transfer has been received from The Meyersdale Grace Brethren Church concerning Bill Mosholder. He will be formally received as a new member at Springs in an upcoming service.

Elaine Tressler will be 90 years old on September 5th! The family would love to have all their friends & family flood her mailbox with birthday cards! Please send cards to 133 Upper Springs RD, Salisbury, PA 15558.

September 19 & 20, Annual Casselman Historian Meeting at the Maple Glen Church. The theme will be the "500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Anabaptism and the Casselman Valley." Marcus A. Yoder, Executive Director of Behalt, Amish & Mennonite Heritage Center and the Ohio Amish Library, Berlin, Ohio, will be a presenter. Marcus Yoder has a BA in History from the Ohio State University and MA in the History of Christianity from Yale University. Marcus was born into an Amish family in Homes County Ohio.

## **Elders' and Gift Discernment Appointments**

| Committee                             | Person                          | Year(s) Serving |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Bible School                          | Nancy Green (1-year)            | 2025-2026       |
| Cemetery Committee                    | Jay Resh                        | 2025-2028       |
| Conference                            |                                 |                 |
| Delegates                             | Isaac Tice                      | 2025-2028       |
| Congregational Chair                  | Phoebe Wiley                    | 2025-2026       |
| Gifts Discernment                     | Seeking 2 people                |                 |
| HOPE Committee                        | Deb Brenneman                   | 2025-2026       |
| Hospitality<br>Committee              | Paula Resh                      | 2025-2028       |
| Junior Department<br>(Superintendent) | No Leader at this time          |                 |
| Librarians                            | Beth Green                      | 2025-2028       |
| Music Committee                       | Dixie Otto                      | 2025-2028       |
|                                       | Byron Miller                    | 2025-2028       |
|                                       | Glenn & Tammy Miller (2nd Term) |                 |
| Retreat Committee                     | (1-year)                        | 2025-2026       |
|                                       | Bill Mosholder & Angie Piwonka  | 2025-2026       |
| Trustees                              | Reuben Tice                     | 2025-2028       |
| Ushers                                | Diana Detrick                   | 2025-2026       |
|                                       | Carlene Dowell                  | 2025-2026       |
|                                       | Steve Fazenbaker                | 2025-2026       |
|                                       | Ryan Miller                     | 2025-2026       |
|                                       | Jeff Pattison                   | 2025-2026       |
|                                       | Jay Resh                        | 2025-2026       |
| Visual Arts                           | Rosie Cupler                    | 2025-2027       |
| Worship Committee                     | Wes Bergen                      | 2025-2026       |
|                                       | Beth Green                      | 2025-2026       |
|                                       | Bill Mosholder & Angie Piwonka  | 2025-2026       |
| Youth Sponsor                         | Deb Brenneman                   | 2025-2026       |